

Turner (TX)	Wamp	Whitfield
Udall (CO)	Waters	Wicker
Udall (NM)	Watson	Wilson (NM)
Upton	Watt	Wilson (SC)
Van Hollen	Waxman	Wolf
Velazquez	Weiner	Woolsey
Visclosky	Weldon (FL)	Wu
Vitter	Weldon (PA)	Wynn
Walden (OR)	Weller	Young (AK)
Walsh	Wexler	Young (FL)

NOT VOTING—15

Boehner	Emanuel	McKeon
Carson (IN)	Gephardt	Miller, Gary
DeGette	Hayes	Pomeroy
DeLay	Hinchey	Simpson
Dingell	Hyde	Tauzin

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised there are less than 1½ minutes left to vote.

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So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. EMANUEL. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 164, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER
AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 2

Mrs. MUSGRAVE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to have my name removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 2.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Colorado?

There was no objection.

NANOTECHNOLOGY RESEARCH
AND DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2003

Mr. LINDER. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 219 ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 219

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 766) to provide for a National Nanotechnology Research and Development Program, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Science. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. It shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Science now printed in the bill. Each section of the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. During consideration of the bill for amendment, the Chair-

man of the Committee of the Whole may accord priority in recognition on the basis of whether the Member offering an amendment has caused it to be printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 8 of rule XVIII. Amendments so printed shall be considered as read. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommend with or without instructions.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Georgia (Mr. LINDER) is recognized for 1 hour.

(Mr. LINDER asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LINDER. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Florida (Mr. HASTINGS), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

Mr. Speaker, H. Res. 219 provides for the consideration of H.R. 766, the Nanotechnology Research and Development Act. H. Res. 219 provides for one hour of general debate, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Science. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill and makes in order the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Science now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. It further provides that the bill shall be considered for amendment section by section and that each section shall be considered as read. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommend, with or without instructions.

Mr. Speaker, H. Res. 219 is an open rule giving all Members of the House the opportunity to offer any germane amendments to H.R. 766. This rule accords priority in recognition to Members who have preprinted their amendments in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. This is to simply encourage Members to take advantage of the option in order to facilitate consideration of amendments on the House floor and to inform Members of the details of any pending amendments.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 766 is an important, bipartisan bill that will encourage further nanotechnology research. A recent National Academy of Sciences review described nanotechnology as the "relatively new ability to manipulate and characterize matter at the level of single atoms and small groups of atoms. This capability has led to the astonishing discovery that clusters of small numbers of atoms or molecules often have properties, such as strength, electrical resistivity, electrical con-

ductivity, and optical absorption, that are significantly different from the properties of the same matter at either the single molecule scale or the bulk scale."

Beyond this technical description, nanotechnology has the potential to have a significant impact on our lives in the coming years. Testimony before the Committee on Science, chaired by the gentleman from New York (Chairman BOEHLERT), indicated that in the future the American people could see great advances in medicine, manufacturing, materials, construction, computing and telecommunications as a result of this research. Yesterday in the Committee on Rules the gentleman from New York (Chairman BOEHLERT) and the ranking member, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. HALL) identified potential homeland security advantages as well, including information technology and sensor advances to assist us in our efforts to identify threats.

President Bush has recognized the benefits of these innovations in terms of practical applications to the American people and also to our Nation's economic growth. The National Science Foundation has predicted that the nanotechnology market could reach \$1 trillion by the year 2015. But we should recognize that there will be competitors in this arena from abroad.

In an effort to ensure the benefits of this research for our citizens and for future job growth, President Bush has asked Congress to expand the nanotechnology initiative and increase funding for this emerging technology, providing grants to researchers and establishing research centers and advanced technology user facilities.

The Associate Director for Technology in the Office of Science and Technology Policy stated that the administration's commitment to furthering nanotechnology research and development has never been stronger.

I applaud the President for focusing on this potential link to future economic growth. I thank the gentleman from New York (Chairman BOEHLERT), the gentleman from California (Mr. HONDA) and the Committee on Science for forwarding a bill that will result in better planning and coordination in this area of research.

This is a very fair rule. I urge my colleagues to support the rule so we may begin on any amendments that Members may have to offer before the House today.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I thank the gentleman from Georgia for yielding me the time, and I would also alert my friend from Georgia, as I understand it now, we have but one speaker, so we are prepared to move forward.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of this bill and the open rule under which it is being considered.